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GOVERNOR'S POINT MAN ON BASE REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE TO BRIEF HOUSE COMMITTEE

TALLAHASSEE – General James B. ("J. B.") Davis will brief the House Committee on Military and Veterans' Affairs regarding Florida's posture in the next round of Department of Defense base realignment and closure (BRAC) on **Wednesday**, **January 26**, **2005** at **3:15 p.m.** in **Morris Hall** (Room 17 House Office Building).

"Defense-related economic activity in Florida is \$44 billion a year making it the third largest industry in the state," said House Military & Veterans' Affairs Committee Chairman Stan Jordan (R-Jacksonville) today. "The General's timely and important briefing will inform everyone on what Florida is doing to protect Florida's 21 military installations."

"General Davis has a wealth of experience and knowledge to share with us from his previous appointment to the 1995 Presidential BRAC Commission, and I find the committee, House members and staff, and others who attend the meeting will benefit greatly from his discussion of Florida's stance before this latest BRAC," added Chairman Jordan.

General Davis is a retired four-star Air Force General who serves as the Co-Chair of Governor Bush's Advisory Council on BRAC, which was created in 2003 to safeguard Florida's 21 military installations and three unified commands during the 2005 round of BRAC. General Davis served on the Presidential Base Closure and Realignment Commission in 1995. He will be introduced to the Committee by Governor Bush and House Speaker Allan Bense.

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